GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Schemes for Sports
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being implemented to encourage sports in the country, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;
(b) the details of schemes being implemented in the country with regard to the Olympics;
(c) whether the Government is aware of shortage of funds in providing modern facilities/training to the sportspersons particularly from Uttar Pradesh for Olympic Games; and
(d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of such training centres?
ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a)

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
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(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.
STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. â€ *30 FOR 17.11.2016 ASKED BY SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE, MP REGARDING SCHEMES FOR SPORTS
(a) Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) is implementing the "Khelo India − National Programme for development of Sports" as a Central Sector Scheme from the current financial year 2016-17. The Scheme provides for holding of annual sports competitions, sports talent identification and creation of sports infrastructure, namely, Synthetic Athletic Track, Synthetic Hockey Field, Synthetic Turf Football Ground, Multipurpose hall, Swimming pool and construction of stadia complex.
Further, MYAS through Sports Authority of India (SAI) is implementing the following sports promotional schemes to identify talented sports persons in the age group of 8-25 years and nurture them to excel at national and international competitions :
? National Sports Talent Contest Scheme (NSTC)
? Army Boys Sports Company (ABSC)
? SAI Training Centre (STC)
? Special Area Games (SAG)
? Extension Centre of STC/SAG
? Centre of Excellence (CoE)
? National Sports Academies (NSA)
(b) to (d) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports decided to give focused attention for better performance of our athletes in Olympic and Paralympic Games 2016 and 2020. Keeping this view, a programme namely, Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme was formulated with the aim to identify, groom and prepare potential medal prospects for 2016 and 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games.
The athletes under the TOP Scheme are identified through a process of research and in consultation with the concerned stakeholders. Benchmark for selection of these athletes under the scheme is their performance in relation to the international standard. The selection is not just on the basis of reputation, national rank, performance in Commonwealth and Asian Games only, but their current performance, consistency, fitness and the laid down bench mark. The selected athletes are provided financial assistance from National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) for their customized training at Institutes having world class facilities and other necessary support. As on 14.11.2016, a total of 185 athletes, including athletes from Uttar Pradesh, have awailed assistance
under the TOP Scheme. In addition, funds were also granted to Indian Weightlifting Federation for 7 members during the Rio Olympics, 2016.
Requisite assistance is also provided from the "Scheme of Financial Assistance to National Sports Federations (NSFs)" as per the approved Annual Calendar of Training and Competition (ACTC) finalised in consultation with the concerned NSF for preparation of Indian sportspersons and teams for Olympic Games.
All identified Indian sportspersons from various states including Uttar Pradesh (UP) for preparation of Olympic Games have been provided with International standard facilities within the country and abroad. No specific complaint has been received regarding shortage of funds in providing modern facilities/training to the sportspersons particularly from Uttar Pradesh for Olympic Games
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